

WHEREAS, authors of all kinds have played a large role in the history of our country; and

WHEREAS, authors help enliven our imagination and educate our youth; and

WHEREAS, the written word enriches our lives through all different means; and

WHEREAS, our area is home to many talented authors; and

WHEREAS, local authors write about our City's history, its architecture, hydroplanes, or create works of fiction; and

WHEREAS, local authors such as Fred Farley, Ron Harsin, Dave Taylor, John T. Windle, and numerous others bring fame and recognition to our community with their writings; and

WHEREAS, local businesses wish to celebrate this talent and draw recognition to the importance of authors during this week in March;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Damon Welch, Mayor of the City of Madison, Indiana do hereby proclaim the week of March 11th through the 18th to be

AUTHOR APPRECIATION WEEK

in Madison. I encourage all Madison residents to join me in celebrating and appreciating the work that authors have contributed to our lives both locally and around the world.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Madison to be affixed this 6th day of March, 2012.